

## Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> November

## On Sunday:

- 10.30am Prayer time, with coffee served from 10.15am
- 11am Stephen speaks on the second part of 1 Peter 4
- 12.45pm Young Adults Lunch
- 6pm Willie speaks from Psalm 108 and we share communion
- 7.30pm Roots Bible Study
- Our mid-week groups continue in normal schedules and Home Groups meet again for the next study in 1 Peter.
- Choir rehearsal will meet on Monday evening this week.
- Quick reminder that the Church Weekend Away booking and information is here: www.hebronaberdeen.org.uk/weekend

## **Christmas Calendar**

Here's our quick list of Christmas events and dates for your diary:

- Friday 5th December: Ladies Crafts night at 7.30pm (booking required)
- Saturday 13th December: Festive Stay & Play for our pre-school families from the mid-week groups from 2-4pm (booking required)
- Sunday 14th December: Christmas Carol Service at 7pm
- Sunday 21st December: Sunday School Nativity Play at 11am
- Wednesday 24th December: Christingle Service at 4pm
- Thursday 25th December: Christmas Day All-Age Service at 10.30am

The bookings pages for the events needing them are now open and you can save images from the website calendar to send as invitations to friends. See **www.hebronaberdeen.org.uk/christmas** for fuller details.



An extra Christmas event you might like to go to: The Hebron choir will be singing at <u>The Marcliffe Hotel's Carols in the Courtyard</u> on Sunday 7th December at 3pm. Tickets, including a hot drink and a festive snack are £10 (for over 10s) and can be purchased from eventbrite.

**Tea and Coffee Rota** – it's time for the next rota to be prepared for those serving teas and coffees before and after the Sunday morning service. More helpers are always needed so if you're thinking about volunteering for something at church this is a great time to join in! Please reply to this email if you are interested or catch Gillian Reid on Sunday.

**Somebody Cares Reverse Advent Calenda**r – if you're joining in, remember to collect everything in a box or bag. You can find more details on their Facebook page or just <u>save the image here</u> to show you the items they would like to have in each bag. We will have a collection point in Hebron on the week of Sunday 7th December and will take all the bags over to Somebody Cares that week.

The evening for parents with children in **Sunday School and Bible Class (creche** parents are also welcome as you look ahead!) takes place this week on Tuesday 25th November at 7.45pm. This event will include an update on what is going on in those groups, with resource suggestions and discussion about how the church can support you as you seek to disciple your little ones and young people through their formative years! Please do come along if you can.

Tim and Chloe Sinclair will be moving away to Edinburgh for work and this weekend will be their last Sunday with us at Hebron. Do pray for them as they move and settle in to a new church, and give thanks for the time they were with us as part of the Hebron family, especially for all that they contributed in helping with Sunday School, Monday Club and leading services.

**Hope Explored** will be running in the new year. This is the 3-session course for those who are interested in finding out more about what we believe as Christians. Have a think about the opportunity this is for you to invite someone to come along to it.

A bit of nostalgic trivia for you: this weekend marks 10 years since we moved into the main building, having spent nearly three years using the side hall and atrium for everything while the second phase of renovations took place. We held our first Sunday service upstairs on 22nd November, and the following weekend held an Open Day with coffee morning and a Thanksgiving Service in the evening. We continue to give thanks for the amount of space and facilities we have, and for the fact that they have been so well used over the last 10 years. Our vision for the building remains the same as it was then: "that this church will be, until our Lord Jesus comes, the place it was built to be, a place where the Word of God in the Bible is faithfully taught, where the people hunger for the truth, and where you and I come to worship God, and may this church exist for the glory of God, and the exaltation of His Word through the preaching of the gospel of Jesus Christ"

Facing a task unfinished that drives us to our knees, a need that, undiminished, rebukes our slothful ease, we who rejoice to know You renew before your throne the solemn pledge we owe You to go and make You known.

Every Blessing,

